Remarks

Applicant has amended the above claims as shown to expedite the issuance of a patent in this application.

Claim 33 was objected to as being dependent on a rejected base claim, but was indicated as being allowable if rewritten in independent form including all limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Applicants have rewritten the claim as shown as believes it is now in good form and in condition for allowance.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by this paper, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-1287. Applicants hereby provide a general request for any extension of time which may be required at any time during the prosecution of the application. The Commissioner is also authorized to charge any fees which have not been previously paid for by check and which are required during the prosecution of this application to Deposit Account No. 50-1287. (Should Deposit Account No. 50-1287 be deficient, please charge any further deficiencies to Deposit Account No. 10-0220).

Applicant invites the Examiner to contact the undersigned via telephone with any questions or comments regarding this case.

Applicant respectfully requests an interview with the examiner if the examiner does not believe this amendment places the application in condition for allowance.

Reconsideration and favorable action are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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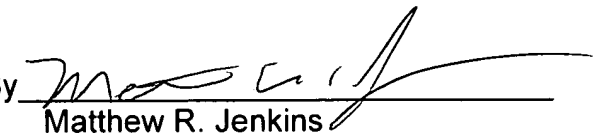
By 

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